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Burmaster names New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition

Student achievement is 'beating the odds' in recognition schools

MADISON—State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster today announced the names of New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition, praising the high-poverty schools for “beating the odds” by having a higher percentage of students meeting state reading and math goals than is typical for a school with similar poverty levels.

“These schools are a testament to the dedication of teachers and other school staff members as well as the involvement of parents and the community to support children’s education and academic achievement,” said Burmaster.

To be named a New Wisconsin Promise School of Recognition for 2004, schools had to have poverty levels that made them eligible for federal Title I funding. Additionally, schools were to

- be among the highest poverty schools in the state based on the percentage of students receiving free or reduced-price school meals: 40 percent at the elementary level, 30 percent at middle school, and 20 percent at high school.
- have met No Child Left Behind adequate yearly progress (AYP) requirements for the last two years. This includes having 95 percent of students in grades three, four, eight, and 10 take statewide assessments; having elementary and middle school attendance rates of at least 85 percent and a high school graduation rate of 82 percent or show growth from the prior year on these indicators; and meeting or exceeding proficiency targets on state assessments in reading and mathematics.
- have student achievement that is above the state average in both reading and mathematics and have no noticeable lags with subgroups of students.

Seventy-seven elementary schools met all four criteria to receive recognition, 25 middle/junior high schools, and 29 high schools. Of the 131 total, 48 are from urban areas and 83 from rural areas of the state.

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Schools will receive a recognition plaque at a May 11 ceremony at the State Capitol and \$1,500 for use by the school. Schools also will be part of an outreach effort to share best practices through an informational website and some will be featured in video essays highlighting exemplary schools.

“We are excited about the opportunity to showcase effective educational practices and share the excellence of schools all across Wisconsin,” Burmaster said. “The success of these schools speaks to the efforts each and every day by educators, families, and their communities to provide positive educational opportunities for students, and it is because of schools such as these that we will be able to bring that positive message to others.”

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ATTACHMENT: A list of New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition by schools within districts follows.

New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition

2004

Alma Center

Lincoln Elementary

Amery

Amery Intermediate

Antigo

Mattoon Elementary

Spring Valley Elementary

West Elementary

Appleton Area

Horizons Elementary

Lincoln Elementary

Ashland

Lake Superior Intermediate

Marengo Valley Elementary

Barron Area

Almena Elementary

Bayfield

Bayfield High

Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine

Pembine Elementary

Beloit

McLenegan Elementary

Birchwood

Birchwood Elementary

Birchwood High

Blair-Taylor

Blair-Taylor Elementary

Boscobel Area

Boscobel Elementary

Bowler

Bowler Elementary

Boyceville Community

Tiffany Creek Elementary

Bruce

Bruce High

Bruce Middle

Butternut

Butternut Elementary

Cadott Community

Cadott High

Cameron

Cameron High

Cameron Middle

Chetek

Chetek High

Clayton

Clayton High

Clayton Middle

Clear Lake

Clear Lake High

Coleman

Coleman Elementary/Middle

Cornell

Cornell Elementary

Crivitz

Crivitz Elementary

Crivitz Middle

Cudahy

Cudahy Middle

Kosciuszko Elementary

Park View Elementary

De Soto Area

Prairie View Elementary

Drummond

Drummond High

Eau Claire Area

Lakeshore Elementary

Longfellow Elementary

Eleva-Strum

Eleva-Strum High

Fall Creek

Fall Creek High

Flambeau

Flambeau Elementary

Flambeau Junior High

Fond du Lac

Riverside Elementary

Frederic

Frederic 7-12 School

Gilman

Gilman Elementary

Gilman High

Gilmanton

Gilmanton Elementary

Glidden

Glidden Elementary

Glidden Middle

Goodman-Armstrong

Goodman-Armstrong
Elementary

Grantsburg

Grantsburg High

Grantsburg Middle

Green Bay Area

Keller Elementary

Greenfield

Glenwood Elementary

Hayward Community

Hayward Intermediate

Hayward Middle

Stone Lake Elementary

Hurley

Hurley K-12

Kenosha

Bose Elementary

McKinley Elementary

Kickapoo Area

Viola Elementary

La Crosse

Spence Elementary

La Farge

La Farge Elementary

Ladysmith-Hawkins

Ladysmith Middle

Lake Holcombe

Holcombe Elementary

Laona

Robinson Elementary

Loyal

Loyal High

Loyal Junior High

Madison Metropolitan

O'Keeffe Middle

Maple

Northwestern Middle

Melrose-Mindoro

Melrose-Mindoro High

Menomonie Area

Knapp Elementary

Merrill Area

Maple Grove Elementary

Milwaukee

Alcott Elementary

Barton Elementary

Bruce Guadalupe

Clarke Street Elementary

Curtin Elementary

Garland Elementary

Hawley Road Elementary

Honey Creek Elementary

King High

Meir Elementary

Morse Middle

Zablocki Elementary

Neillsville

Neillsville Middle

New Auburn

New Auburn Junior/

Senior High

North Crawford

North Crawford Elementary

Northland Pines

Northland Middle

Northland Pines

Elementary-Eagle River

Oshkosh Area

Roosevelt Elementary

Webster Stanley Elementary

Osseo-Fairchild

Osseo-Fairchild High

Owen-Withee

Owen-Withee Elementary

Park Falls

Park Falls Middle

Pepin Area

Pepin High

Phelps

Phelps High

Pittsville

Pittsville Elementary

Plum City

Plum City High

Prairie Farm

Prairie Farm Elementary

Prairie Farm Middle

Prentice

Prentice Elementary

Princeton

Princeton School

Rhineland

Central Elementary

River Ridge

River Ridge Middle

Sauk Prairie

Merrimac Elementary

Sheboygan Area

Urban Middle

Shullsburg

Shullsburg High

South Shore

South Shore Elementary

Spring Valley

Spring Valley High

Stevens Point Area

Jefferson Elementary

Superior

Superior Middle

Tomah Area

Oakdale Elementary

Tomah Middle

Wyeville Elementary

Tri-County Area

Tri-County Elementary

Turtle Lake

Turtle Lake Elementary

Turtle Lake High

Unity

Unity Middle

Webster

Webster Elementary

Westby Area

Chaseburg Middle

Westby High

Westfield

Neshkoro Elementary

Weyerhaeuser Area

Weyerhaeuser Elementary

Weyerhaeuser High

White Lake

White Lake High

Whitewater

Washington Elementary

Wild Rose

Wild Rose High

Winter

Winter Elementary